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In re: Thorp et al.

Serial No.: 10/008,233

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ELECTROCHEMICAL DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID HYBRIDIZATION For:

Date: August 30, 2005

**Commissioner for Patents** PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)

Sir:

Upon further examination of the above-identified patent, Applicants realize that the issue fee was erroneously paid as a small entity. Applicants regret this error, which was made without any deceptive intent. Accordingly, the claim for small entity based on the payment of filing fees for a small entity is hereby withdrawn.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)(2), the following information is set forth hereafter: 1) each fee that was erroneously paid as a small entity, including the fee paid and the date that the fee was paid; 2) the deficiency owed for each fee that was erroneously paid; and 3) the total deficiency payment owed.

| Fee Paid  | Date Paid  | Amount Owed as Large Entity | Amount Paid | Deficiency |
|-----------|------------|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Issue Fee | 02/10/2005 | \$1400.00                   | \$700.00    | \$700.00   |
|           |            |                             | TOTAL OWED  | \$700.00   |

Applicants regret this inadvertent error, which was made without any deceptive intent. A check in the amount of \$700.00 (the deficiency between the amount paid and the amount due) is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account number 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

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